Bulletin No.: 15700

Date: October 2015

### PRODUCT SAFETY RECALL

**SUBJECT:** Driver Door Switch Short Circuit

MODELS: 2006-2007 Buick Rainier

2006 Chevrolet TrailBlazer EXT 2006-2007 Chevrolet TrailBlazer

2006 GMC Envoy XL 2006-2007 GMC Envoy

**Previously Repaired Under Safety Recall 12180** 

It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.

#### CONDITION

General Motors has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety may exist in the following vehicles repaired under recall 12180: 2006 model year Chevrolet Trailblazer EXT and GMC Envoy XL, and 2006-2007 model year Buick Rainier, Chevrolet TrailBlazer, and GMC Envoy vehicles. The service bulletin provided that if the driver's door module was functioning properly, a protective coating was to be applied. If the module was not working properly, it should be replaced. Vehicles that were repaired by having a protective coating applied to the driver's door module may continue to have a safety related defect.

If fluid, such as melted snow containing road salt, enters the driver's door module, it may cause corrosion that could result in a short in the circuit board. A short may cause the power door lock and power window switches to function intermittently or may stop working. A short may cause overheating, which could melt components of the door module, producing odor, smoke, or a fire. Additionally, the windows may raise or lower themselves, without user input. These conditions may occur even with the vehicle parked and the key removed. Customers should park the vehicle outdoors until it has been remedied.

#### **CORRECTION**

Dealers are to install a new door module.

#### VEHICLES INVOLVED

All involved vehicles are identified by Vehicle Identification Number on the Investigate Vehicle History screen in GM Global Warranty Management system. Dealership service personnel should always check this site to confirm vehicle involvement prior to beginning any required inspections and/or repairs. It is important to routinely use this tool to verify eligibility because not all similar vehicles may be involved regardless of description or option content.

For dealers with involved vehicles, a listing with involved vehicles containing the complete vehicle identification number, customer name, and address information has been prepared and will be provided to U.S. and Canadian dealers through the GM GlobalConnect Recall Reports,

or sent directly to export dealers. Dealers will not have a report available if they have no involved vehicles currently assigned.

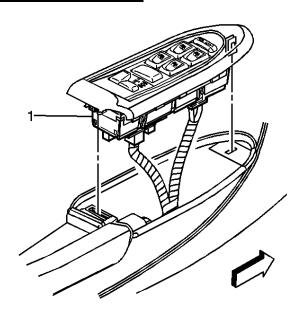
The listing may contain customer names and addresses obtained from Motor Vehicle Registration Records. The use of such motor vehicle registration data for any purpose other than follow-up necessary to complete this recall is a violation of law in several states/provinces/countries. Accordingly, you are urged to limit the use of this report to the follow-up necessary to complete this recall.

#### **PART INFORMATION**

Parts required to complete this recall are to be obtained from General Motors Customer Care and Aftersales (GMCCA). Please refer to your "involved vehicles listing" before ordering parts. Normal orders should be placed on a DRO = Daily Replenishment Order. In an emergency situation, parts should be ordered on a CSO = Customer Special Order.

Part		Quantity/			
Number	Description	Vehicle			
	Chevrolet				
25861573	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (CASHMERE) ST1 (DL2, KA1, X88, 27I) (EXPORT)	1			
25861577	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (CASHMERE) ST1 (DL2, X88, 27I) (EXC KA1) (EXPORT)	1			
25861580	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (CASHMERE) (DK2, DK9, DP2, DR1, X88, 27I) (EXC KA1)	1			
25861584	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (CASHMERE) (DK2, DP2, DS3, KA1, X88, 27I)	1			
25866999	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (GRAY) (DL2, KA1, X88, 28I) (EXPORT)	1			
25867000	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (EBONY) (DK2, DP2, DS3, KA1, X88, 48I)	1			
25867001	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (GRAY) (DK2, DP2, DS3, KA1, X88, 28I)	1			
25867002	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (EBONY) ST1 (DL2, X88, 48I) (EXC KA1) (EXPORT)	1			
25867003	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (GRAY) ST1 (DL2, X88, 28I) (EXC KA1) (EXPORT)	1			
25867004	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (EBONY) (DK2, DK9, DP2, DR1, X88, 48I) (EXC KA1)	1			
25867005	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (GRAY) (DK2, DK9, DP2, DR1, X88, 28I) (EXC KA1)	1			
25867006	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (EBONY) (DL2, KA1, X88, 48I) (EXPORT)	1			
	GMC				
25866992	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (EBONY) (AAB KA1 Z88 Z89 27I, 48I)	1			
25866993	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (EBONY) (Z88, Z89, 27I, 48I) (EXC AAB, KA1)	1			
25866994	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (GRAY) (Z88, Z89, 28I) (EXC AAB, KA1)	1			
25866996	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (GRAY) (AAB, KA1, Z88, Z89, 28I)	1			
25866997	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (EBONY) (AAB, DS3, Z88, 27I, 48I) (EXC KA1)	1			
25866998	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (GRAY) (AAB, Z88, 28I) (EXC KA1)	1			
	Buick				
25861556	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (INCLS 8) (GRAY) ST1 (KA1, W49, 28I)	1			
25861557	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (INCLS 8) (CASHMERE) ST1 (KA1, W49, 47I)	1			
25861560	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (INCLS 8) (GRAY) ST1 (W49, 28I) (EXC KA1)	1			
25861561	SWITCH, DR LK & SI WDO (INCLS 8) (DK CASHMERE) ST1 (W49, 47I) (EXC KA1)	1			

#### SERVICE PROCEDURE



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Install new driver side door lock and side window switch. Refer to *Door Lock and Side Window Switch Replacement - Driver Side* in SI.

#### **CUSTOMER REIMBURSEMENT** - For U.S.

Customer requests for reimbursement of previously paid repairs for the recall condition that were not already submitted under recall 12180 (Labor Code V2737) are to be submitted to the dealer by November 30, 2016, unless otherwise specified by state law. If this is not convenient for the customer, the customer may mail the completed Customer Reimbursement Request Form and all required documents to the GM Customer Assistance Center.

All reasonable and customary costs to correct the condition described in this bulletin should be considered for reimbursement. Any questions or concerns should be reviewed with your GM representative prior to processing the request.

When a customer requests reimbursement, they must provide the following:

- A completed Customer Reimbursement Request Form. This form is mailed to the customer or can be obtained through GM GlobalConnect.
- The name and address of the person who paid for the repair.
- Paid receipt confirming the amount of the repair expense, a description of the repair, and the person or entity performing the repair.

**IMPORTANT:** GM requires dealers to approve or deny a reimbursement request within 30 days of receipt. If a reimbursement request is approved, the dealer should immediately issue a check to the customer and submit an appropriate warranty transaction for the incurred expense. If a reimbursement request is denied, the dealer <u>MUST</u> provide the customer with a clear and concise explanation, in writing, as to why the request was denied. The bottom portion of the Customer Reimbursement Request Form may be used for this purpose. If the denial was due to missing documents, the customer can resubmit the request when the missing documents are obtained, as long as it is still within the allowed reimbursement period.

Warranty transactions for customer reimbursement of previously paid repairs are to be submitted as required by GM Global Warranty Management. Additional information can also be found in Warranty Administration Bulletin 11-00-89-004.

#### <u>CUSTOMER REIMBURSEMENT</u> - For Canada and Export

Customer requests for reimbursement of previously paid repairs to correct the condition described in this bulletin that were not already submitted under recall 12180 (Labor Code V2737) are to be submitted to the dealer by November 30, 2016.

When a customer requests reimbursement, they must provide the following:

- Proof of ownership at time of repair.
- Original paid receipt confirming the amount of unreimbursed repair expense(s) (including Service Contract deductibles), a description of the repair, and the person or entity performing the repair.

All reasonable and customary costs to correct the condition described in this bulletin should be considered for reimbursement. Any questions or concerns should be reviewed with your GM representative prior to processing the request.

#### WARRANTY TRANSACTION INFORMATION

Submit a transaction using the table below. All transactions should be submitted as a ZFAT transaction type, unless noted otherwise.

Labor Code	Description	Labor Time	Net Item
9101774	Door Lock & Side Window Switch Replacement	0.5	N/A
9101825	Customer Reimbursement Approved	0.2	*
9101826	Customer Reimbursement Denied - For U.S. Dealers Only	0.1	N/A

Note: Customer reimbursement will not close this recall. The service procedure must also be performed on the vehicle.

#### <u>CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION</u> – For U.S. and Canada

General Motors will notify customers of this recall on their vehicle (see copy of customer letter included with this bulletin).

#### **CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION** – For Export

Letters will be sent to known owners of record located within areas covered by the US National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. For owners outside these areas, dealers should notify customers using the attached sample letter.

### <u>DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY</u> – For U.S. and Export (U.S. States, Territories, and Possessions)

It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.

<sup>\*</sup> The amount identified in "Net Item" should represent the dollar amount reimbursed to the customer.

The U.S. National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act provides that each vehicle that is subject to a recall of this type must be adequately repaired within a reasonable time after the customer has tendered it for repair. A failure to repair within sixty days after tender of a vehicle is prima facie evidence of failure to repair within a reasonable time. If the condition is not adequately repaired within a reasonable time, the customer may be entitled to an identical or reasonably equivalent vehicle at no charge or to a refund of the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for depreciation. To avoid having to provide these burdensome remedies, every effort must be made to promptly schedule an appointment with each customer and to repair their vehicle as soon as possible. In the recall notification letters, customers are told how to contact the U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration if the recall is not completed within a reasonable time.

#### DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY - All

All unsold new vehicles in dealers' possession and subject to this recall <u>must</u> be held and inspected/repaired per the service procedure of this recall bulletin <u>before</u> customers take possession of these vehicles.

Dealers are to service all vehicles subject to this recall at no charge to customers, regardless of mileage, age of vehicle, or ownership, from this time forward.

Customers who have recently purchased vehicles sold from your vehicle inventory, and for which there is no customer information indicated on the dealer listing, are to be contacted by the dealer. Arrangements are to be made to make the required correction according to the instructions contained in this bulletin. A copy of the customer letter is provided in this bulletin for your use in contacting customers. Recall follow-up cards should not be used for this purpose, since the customer may not as yet have received the notification letter.

In summary, whenever a vehicle subject to this recall enters your vehicle inventory, or is in your dealership for service in the future, you must take the steps necessary to be sure the recall correction has been made before selling or releasing the vehicle.



### IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

November 2015

This notice	applies to your	vehicle, VIN	

Dear General Motors Customer:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

General Motors has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2006 model year Chevrolet Trailblazer EXT and GMC Envoy XL, and 2006-2007 model year Buick Rainier, Chevrolet TrailBlazer, and GMC Envoy vehicles that were repaired under GM safety recall 12180. As a result, GM is conducting this safety recall. We apologize for this inconvenience. However, we are concerned about your safety and continued satisfaction with our products.

#### IMPORTANT

- Your vehicle is involved in GM recall 15700.
- Schedule an appointment with your GM dealer as soon as possible.
- This service will be performed for you at **no charge**.

## Why is your vehicle being recalled?

While your vehicle was previously recalled and serviced under GM safety recall 12180, the protective coating that was applied to the driver's door module under that recall may not sufficiently protect the module's circuit board from exposure to corrosive fluids, which could cause the circuit board to short. In other words, your vehicle may continue to have a condition in which the printed circuit board inside the driver's door module may be susceptible to corrosion from certain external corrosive fluids (such as melted snow containing road salt), which could cause a short in the module's circuit board. A short in the circuit board of the driver door module may cause power door locks and power window switches to function intermittently or stop working. A short may also cause the windows to raise or lower themselves without user input. In addition, a short may cause overheating, which could melt components of the door module, producing odor, smoke, or a fire. These conditions may occur even with the vehicle parked and the key removed.

### What will we do?

Your GM dealer will install a new door module. This service will be performed for you at **no charge**. Because of service scheduling requirements, it is likely that your dealer will need your vehicle longer than the actual service correction time of approximately 30 minutes.

## What should you do?

You should contact your GM dealer to arrange a service appointment as soon as possible.

If possible, you should park your vehicle outdoors until it has been remedied.

# Did you already pay for this repair?

Even though you may have already had repairs for this condition, you will still need to take your vehicle to your dealer for additional repairs. If you have paid for repairs for the recall condition and have not already submitted for reimbursement under safety recall 12180, please complete the enclosed reimbursement form and present it to your dealer with all required documents. Working with your dealer will expedite your request; however, if this is not convenient, you may mail the completed reimbursement form and all required documents to Reimbursement Department, PO Box 33170, Detroit, MI 48232-5170. The completed form and required documents must be presented to your dealer or received by the Reimbursement Department by November 30, 2016, unless state law specifies a longer reimbursement period.

### Do you have questions?

If you have questions or concerns that your dealer is unable to resolve, please contact the appropriate Customer Assistance Center at the number listed below.

Division	Number	Text Telephones (TTY)
Buick	1-800-521-7300	1-800-832-8425
Chevrolet	1-800-222-1020	1-800-833-2438
GMC	1-800-462-8782	1-888-889-2438
Guam	65-6267-1752	
Puerto Rico – English	1-800-496-9992	
Puerto Rico – Español	1-800-496-9993	
Virgin Islands	1-800-496-9994	

If after contacting your dealer and the Customer Assistance Center, you are still not satisfied we have done our best to remedy this condition without charge and within a reasonable time, you may wish to write the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1.888.327.4236 (TTY 1.800.424.9153), or go to http://www.safercar.gov. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Campaign ID Number for this recall is 15V599.

Federal regulation requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

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